



UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

 RECEIVED
 UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE
 MAIL ROOM
 MAY 31 2002

U.S. APPLICATION NUMBER NO.	FIRST NAMED APPLICANT	CLASSIFICATION
10/030,262	Bruno Ciere	03715 0103

INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO.

PCT/FR00/01971

FILING DATE

07/07/2000

PRIORITY DATE

07/09/1999

Finnegan Henderson Farabow
 Garrett & Dunner
 1300 I Street NW
 Washington, DC 20005-3315

CONFIRMATION NO. 8894

371 ACCEPTANCE LETTER



OC000000008213310

Date Mailed: 05/31/2002

NOTICE OF ACCEPTANCE OF APPLICATION UNDER 35 U.S.C 371 AND 37 CFR 1.494 OR 1.495

The applicant is hereby advised that the United States Patent and Trademark Office in its capacity as an Elected Office (37 CFR 1.495) has determined that the above identified international application has met the requirements of 35 U.S.C. 371, and is ACCEPTED for national patentability examination in the United States Patent and Trademark Office.

The United States Application Number assigned to the application is shown above and the relevant dates are:

04/17/2002

DATE OF RECEIPT OF 35 U.S.C. 371(c)(1), (c)(2) and
(c)(4) REQUIREMENTS

04/17/2002

DATE OF RECEIPT OF ALL 35 U.S.C.
REQUIREMENTS

A Filing Receipt (PTO-103X) will be issued for the present application in due course. **THE DATE APPEARING ON THE FILING RECEIPT AS THE " FILING DATE" IS THE DATE ON WHICH THE LAST OF THE 35 U.S.C. 371 REQUIREMENTS HAS BEEN RECEIVED IN THE OFFICE. THIS DATE IS SHOWN ABOVE.** *The filing date of the above identified application is the international filing date of the international application (Article 11(3) and 35 U.S.C. 363).* Once the Filing Receipt has been received, send all correspondence to the Group Art Unit designated thereon.

The following items have been received:

- U.S. Basic National Fee
- Copy of IPE Report
- Initial Disclosure Statement
- Oath or Declaration
- Preliminary Amendments

Applicant is reminded that any communications to the United States Patent and Trademark Office must be mailed to the address given in the heading and include the U.S. application no. shown above (37 CFR 1.5)

BARBARA A CAMPBELL

Telephone (703) 305-3631

PART 3 - OFFICE COPY

FORM PCT DO EO 903 (371 Acceptance Notice)